

Amendments to the Claims:

A listing of the entire set of pending claims (including amendments to the claims, if any) is submitted herewith per 37 CFR 1.121. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for centering an information medium (101) on a turntable, the apparatus comprising:

a disc setting surface (3) for receiving the information medium (101) having a peripheral friction sheet (19) thereon;

a stationary fitting member (4) in the form of a stationary metal yoke, for receiving the information medium (101) via a substantially central aperture (102) thereof, the stationary fitting member (4) including a ring magnet (46) on an upper surface and an angular groove (44) within which is provided a movable metal yoke (40) and;

a plurality of inwardly directed and equally spaced, one or more resiliently deformable members (12) extending from the disc setting surface (3) at a location [[located]] adjacent the inner rim of said substantially central aperture (102) of said information medium, when [[an]] the information medium (101) is loaded on said turntable; and

a movable locking member (40, 40a) provided on the movable metal yoke at least a portion of which is formed of a ferrous material, the movable locking member (40) being cooperatively arranged relative to said one or more plurality of resiliently deformable members (12);

the movable locking member (40) including a sliding cam (40a), formed thereon, or integrally therewith, and is cooperatively arranged relative to the one or more resiliently deformable members (12),

wherein said movable locking member(40, 40a) [[being]] is arranged and configured to move, in a generally vertical direction [[use]], between a first position in which it exerts little or no pressure on said one or more resiliently deformable members (12) and a second position in which a generally radial force is exerted thereby on said one or more resiliently deformable members (12) such that said one or more resiliently deformable members (12) exert a corresponding centering force on said inner rim of said substantially

central aperture (102) of said information medium (101), and

a clamping member (15) having an annular circumferential edge (23) for pressing down on the information medium (101) to cause the information medium (101) to abut the peripheral friction sheet (19) on the disc setting surface (3), the clamping member (15) defining an inner recess for receiving the fitting member (4), when the information medium (101) is loaded on the turntable, an upper wall of which inner recess is provided with a magnetic means (48) for attracting the ferrous portion of the movable locking member (40) causing said movable locking member (40) to move from said first position to said second position.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Original) A turntable for a data storage drive, the turntable including information medium centering apparatus according to claim 1, and further comprising a motor having a spindle which is communicably coupled with said fitting member (4).

6. (Original) A turntable according to claim 5, comprising a disc setting surface (3) for receiving an information medium (10).

7. (Original) A turntable according to claim 6, wherein the disc setting surface (3) has peripheral friction sheet (19) thereon.

8. (Original) A turntable according to claim 6, wherein the one or more resiliently deformable members (12) extend upwardly from a lip portion (12a) located radially inwardly from the circumference of the disc setting surface.

9. (Original) A turntable according to claim 5, further comprising means (23) for pressing down on an information medium (101) when in use.
10. (Original) A turntable according to claim 9, wherein the clamping member (15) includes at least one magnet means (48) for attracting a corresponding ferrous portion of said movable locking member (40), thereby to cause movement thereof, in use.
11. (Original) A turntable according to claim 9, wherein said fitting member (4) includes magnetic means for attracting the clamping member (15) and therefore increasing the pressure exerted thereby on the information medium (101) when in use.
12. (Original) A data storage drive including a turntable according to claim 1.